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25X1X 1. The General Headquarters of the Bulgarian Border Guards is under the Ministry of Interior. Offices are located in the building of this Ministry in Sofia, at the corner of 6 September and Gorki Streets. The Commanding Officer is Major General Ionko Panev; his assistant and Political Commissar is Colonel Stefan Markov.

2. The General Headquarters has the following departments and sections:

- a. Political department - Commanding Officer, Colonel Stefan Markov.
- b. Field Units section - Commanding Officer, Colonel Ivan Markov, and assistant, a certain Major Todorov.
- c. Intelligence section.
- d. Commercial Air Traffic section, for the control of air communication.
- e. Supplies section - Commanding Officer, Colonel Nikola Ikonomov.
- f. Personnel department.
- g. Finance and Bookkeeping section.
- h. Fire Fighting section.
- i. Special Equipment section.
- j. Records section.

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3. In addition to the foregoing, the General Headquarters has a separate unit, Headquarters Utility Section, which takes care of tailoring uniforms, underwear, et cetera for border guards. This unit is located in Sofia on Skole street. The Commanding Officer is First Lieutenant Karadjov.

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4. Attached to the General Headquarters of Bulgarian Border Guards are two Russian instructors, Colonel Markulin, in charge of military matters and Colonel Gaganov, in charge of political matters.
5. In each Sector Headquarters of the Border Guards, there is a Russian military instructor and a Russian political instructor. Usually they are higher ranking officers.

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